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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

|  | Application No.          | Applicant(s)               |  |
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| Market Control   | 09/760,307               | MILSTEIN ET AL.            |  |
| Notice of Abandonment  | Examiner                 | Art Unit                   |  |
|  | Lakshmi S. Channavajjala | 1611                       |  |
| - The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address-   |                          |                            |  |
| This application is abandoned in view of:  |                          |                            |  |
| Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on 11-29-07.      (a)  A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of month(s)) which expired on           |                          |                            |  |
| (b) A proposed reply was received on, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.   |                          |                            |  |
| (A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114). |                          |                            |  |
| (c) A reply was received on but it does not constitute a proper reply, or a bona fide attempt at a proper reply, to the non-final rejection. See 37 CFR 1.85(a) and 1.111. (See explanation in box 7 below).   |                          |                            |  |
| (d) ⊠ No reply has been received.  |                          |                            |  |
| 2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).  |                          |                            |  |
| (a) The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).  |                          |                            |  |
| (b) The submitted fee of \$ is insufficient. A balance of \$ is due.   |                          |                            |  |
| The issue fee required by 37 CFR 1.18 is \$ The publication fee, if required by 37 CFR 1.18(d), is \$  |                          |                            |  |
| (c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has not been received.   |                          |                            |  |
| 3. Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability (PTO-37).  |                          |                            |  |
| (a) Proposed corrected drawings were received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply.   |                          |                            |  |
| (b) ☐ No corrected drawings have been received.  |                          |                            |  |
| The letter of express abandonment which is signed by the attorney or agent of record, the assignee of the entire interest, or all of the applicants.   |                          |                            |  |
| 5. The letter of express abandonment which is signed by an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application.   |                          |                            |  |
| 6. The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on and because the period for seeking court review of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claims.   |                          |                            |  |
| 7. The reason(s) below:  |                          |                            |  |
|  | (3)                      |                            |  |
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| /Lakshmi S Channavajjala/<br>Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1611   |                          |                            |  |
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| Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b), or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to minimize any negative effects on patent term.   |                          |                            |  |
| U.S. Patent and Trademark Office PTOL-1432 (Rev. 04-01)  Notice  | of Abandonment           | Part of Paper No. 20080623 |  |

| Interview Summary   | Application No.  | Applicant(s)    |  |
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|   | 09/760,307   | MILSTEIN ET AL. |  |
|   | Examiner   | Art Unit        |  |
|   | Lakshmi S. Channavajjala   | 1611            |  |
| All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):  |  |                 |  |
| (1) <u>Lakshmi S. Channavajjala</u> .   | (3)  |                 |  |
| (2) <u>Jay Lessler</u> .  | (4)  | •               |  |
| Date of Interview: 23 June 2008.  | ,  |                 |  |
| Type: a)⊠ Telephonic b)□ Video Conference c)□ Personal [copy given to: 1)□ applicant 2)□ applicant's representative]  |  |                 |  |
| Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No. If Yes, brief description:  |  |                 |  |
| Claim(s) discussed:   |  |                 |  |
| Identification of prior art discussed:  |  |                 |  |
| Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.  |  |                 |  |
| Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: <u>Upon inquiry, the attorney informed the examiner that instant application has been abandoned.</u>   |  |                 |  |
| (A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amend allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no callowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.   | opy of the amendments that w                                     |                 |  |
| THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet. |  |                 |  |
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| Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action   | Primary Examiner, Art Unit 16<br>Examiner's signature, if requir |                 |  |

## Summary of Record of Interview Requirements

Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP), Section 713.04, Substance of Interview Must be Made of Record A complete written statement as to the substance of any face-to-face, video conference, or telephone interview with regard to an application must be made of record in the application whether or not an agreement with the examiner was reached at the interview.

## Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 1.133 Interviews

In every instance where reconsideration is requested in view of an interview with an examiner, a complete written statement of the reasons presented at the interview as in every instance where reconstructation is requested in view of an interview with an examiner, a complete written statement of the reasons presented at the interview do warranting favorable action must be filed by the applicant. An interview does not remove the necessity for reply to Office action as specified in §§ 1.111, 1.135. (35 U.S.C. 132)

All business with the Patent or Trademark Office should be transacted in writing. The personal attendance of applicants or their attorneys or agents at the Patent and Trademark Office is unnecessary. The action of the Patent and Trademark Office will be based exclusively on the written record in the Office. No attention will be paid to any alleged orai promise, stipulation, or understanding in relation to which there is disagreement or doubt

The action of the Patent and Trademark Office cannot be based exclusively on the written record in the Office if that record is itself

It is the responsibility of the applicant or the attorney or agent to make the substance of an interview of record in the application file, unless incomplete through the failure to record the substance of interviews. the examiner indicates he or she will do so. It is the examiner's responsibility to see that such a record is made and to correct material inaccuracies

Examiners must complete an Interview Summary Form for each interview held where a matter of substance has been discussed during the which bear directly on the question of patentability. interview by checking the appropriate boxes and filling in the blanks. Discussions regarding only procedural matters, directed solely to restriction requirements for which interview recordation is otherwise provided for in Section 812.01 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, or pointing out typographical errors or unreadable script in Office actions or the like, are excluded from the interview recordation procedures below. Where the substance of an interview is completely recorded in an Examiners Amendment, no separate Interview Summary Record is required.

The Interview Summary Form shall be given an appropriate Paper No., placed in the right hand portion of the file, and listed on the "Contents" section of the file wrapper. In a personal interview, a duplicate of the Form is given to the applicant (or attorney or agent) at the conclusion of the interview. In the case of a telephone or video-conference interview, the copy is mailed to the applicant's correspondence address either with or prior to the next official communication. If additional correspondence from the examiner is not likely before an allowance or if other circumstances dictate, the Form should be mailed promptly after the interview rather than with the next official communication.

The Form provides for recordation of the following information:

- Application Number (Series Code and Serial Number)
- Name of applicant
- Name of examiner
- Date of interview
- Type of interview (telephonic, video-conference, or personal)
- Name of participant(s) (applicant, attorney or agent, examiner, other PTO personnel, etc.)
- An indication whether or not an exhibit was shown or a demonstration conducted
- An indication whether an agreement was reached and if so, a description of the general nature of the agreement (may be by attachment of a copy of amendments or claims agreed as being allowable). Note: Agreement as to allowability is tentative and does not restrict further action by the examiner to the contrary.
- The signature of the examiner who conducted the interview (if Form is not an attachment to a signed Office action)

It is desirable that the examiner orally remind the applicant of his or her obligation to record the substance of the interview of each case. It should be noted, however, that the Interview Summary Form will not normally be considered a complete and proper recordation of the interview unless it includes, or is supplemented by the applicant or the examiner to include, all of the applicable items required below concerning the substance of the interview.

A complete and proper recordation of the substance of any interview should include at least the following applicable items:

- 1) A brief description of the nature of any exhibit shown or any demonstration conducted,
- 2) an identification of the claims discussed,
- an identification of the principal proposed amendments of a substantive nature discussed, unless these are already described on the 3) an identification of the specific prior art discussed,
- Interview Summary Form completed by the Examiner, 5) a brief identification of the general thrust of the principal arguments presented to the examiner, (The identification of arguments need not be lengthy or elaborate. A verbatim or highly detailed description of the arguments is not required. The identification of the arguments is sufficient if the general nature or thrust of the principal arguments made to the examiner can be understood in the context of the application file. Of course, the applicant may desire to emphasize and fully describe those arguments which he or she feels were or might be persuasive to the examiner.)
- 6) a general indication of any other pertinent matters discussed, and
- 7) if appropriate, the general results or outcome of the interview unless already described in the Interview Summary Form completed by

Examiners are expected to carefully review the applicant's record of the substance of an interview. If the record is not complete and accurate, the examiner will give the applicant an extendable one month time period to correct the record.

## **Examiner to Check for Accuracy**

If the claims are allowable for other reasons of record, the examiner should send a letter setting forth the examiner's version of the statement attributed to him or her. If the record is complete and accurate, the examiner should place the indication, "Interview Record OK" on the paper recording the substance of the interview along with the date and the examiner's initials.

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